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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Application of: Kienhofer
Serial No.: 10/581,399
Art Unit: TBD
Examiner: TBD
Filing Date: 06/01/2006
For: Method for Producing a Tubular Drive
Shaft....
Attorney Docket No.: 1549.009

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Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR REFUND PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.26

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a refund of excess fees paid in connection with filing the above-captioned application. The undersigned notes that the transmittal letter to the USPTO erroneously stated that there were seven independent claims, while in reality there were only two (Claims 1 and 18). There should have been no charge for the two independent Claims (which are within the allowed number of three independent Claims). Instead, four excess Claims were paid for. Being that Applicant is a small entity and filed as such, the excess charge was \$400 (\$100.00 per Claim). The undersigned therefore kindly requests that the excess amount of \$400.00 be refunded to deposit account 02-2105.

Paid: \$400.00 (for four Claims above three)

Should have cost: \$0

Respectfully submitted,



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